

## **SPECTRA**

**Service Instructions** 



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Vita series Notes on this document

## 1 Notes on this document

### 1.1 User notes

This service manual is intended for qualified service and maintenance staff.

This manual contains information about hardware and mechanical part of the label printers 104/8 and 106/12.

Information about operation of printer can be taken from our operating manual.

If a problem arises that cannot be solved with help of this service of manual, then please contact your responsible dealer.

## 1.2 Warnings

Warnings are presented with three signal words for the different levels of danger.

**DANGER** identifies an extraordinarily great and immediate danger which could lead to serious injury or even death.

**WARNING** identifies a possible danger would could lead to serious bodily injury or even death if sufficient precautions are not taken.

**CAUTION** indicates a potentially dangerous situation which could lead to moderate or light bodily injury or damage to property.



### DANGER!

Risk of death via electric shock!

⇒ Before opening the housing cover, disconnect the device from the mains supply and wait approx. 2 - 3 minutes until the power supply unit has discharged.

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### 1.3 Cross references

### Item numbers

References to specific items in a figure are marked with item numbers. They are identified with parentheses in the text, e.g. (9). If no figure number is provided, item numbers in the text always refer to the graphic directly above the text. If a reference is made to another graphic, the figure number is specified, e.g. (2, in figure 5).

## Cross references to chapters and sections

For a cross reference to chapters and sections, the chapter number and page number are specified, e.g. a reference to this section: see chapter 1.3.2, on page 35.

## References to other documents

References to other documents have the following form: see 'operating manual'.

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## 2 Safety instructions

## 2.1 General safety instructions

## Workplace and method of working

- Keep the area around the device clean during and after maintenance.
- ⇒ Work in a safety-conscious manner.
- ⇒ Store dismantled device parts in a safe place while maintenance is being performed.

### Clothing



#### **CAUTION!**

The drawing in of items of clothing by moving parts can lead to injuries.

- ⇒ If possible, do not wear clothing which could be caught by moving device parts.
- ⇒ Button or roll up shirt or jacket sleeves.
- $\Rightarrow$  Tie or pin up long hair.
- Tuck the ends of scarves, ties and shawls into your clothing or secure them with non-conductive clips.



### **DANGER!**

Risk of death from increased flow of current via metals parts which come into contact with the device.

- Do not wear clothing with metal parts.
- ⇒ Do not wear jewellery.
- ⇒ Do not wear glasses with a metal frame.

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## **Protective clothing**

If a possible danger to your eyes is present, wear protective goggles, especially in the following cases:

- when knocking in or knocking out pins and similar parts with a hammer
- · when using spring hooks
- when loosening or inserting springs, snap rings and gripping rings
- · when soldering
- · when using solvents, cleaning agents or other chemicals

### **Protective equipment**



#### **WARNING!**

Risk of injury in case of missing or faulty protective equipment.

- After performing maintenance work, attach all safety equipment (covers, safety precautions, ground cables etc.).
- Replace faulty parts and those which have become unusable.

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## 2.2 Safety handling when working with electricity

## Qualifications of personnel

- The following work may only be performed by instructed and trained electricians:
  - work on the electrical assemblies
  - work on the device while it is open and connected to the power supply.

### General precautions to be heeded when beginning maintenance

- ⇒ Locate the emergency-stop or power switch so that it can be actuated in case of an emergency.
- Unplug the device from the electrical outlet before performing the following work:
  - removing or installing power supply units
  - working in the immediate vicinity of exposed power supply parts
  - mechanical inspection of power supply parts
  - modifying the device circuits.
- ⇒ Ensure that the device is de-energized.
- ⇒ Check the workplace for possible sources of danger, e.g. moist floors, defective extension cables, faulty protective conduction connections.

## Additional precautions to be heeded for devices with exposed energized parts

- Give another person the task of remaining near the workplace. This person must be familiar with the location and operation of the emergency-stop and power switches and switch off the power if danger arises.
- Use only one hand while working on electrical circuits when a device is switched on. Hold the other hand behind your back or put it in your jacket pocket.
   This prevents the electricity from flowing through your body.

## Tools

- ⇒ To not use worn or damaged tools.
- ⇒ Use only tools and testing equipment that is suitable for the respective task.

## What to do in case an accident occurs

- ⇒ Proceed in a very cautions and calm manner.
- ⇒ Avoid endangering yourself.
- ⇒ Switch the power off.
- ⇒ Request medical help (emergency physician).
- ⇒ Call for first aid if necessary.

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## 3 Cleaning



## **DANGER!**

Risk of death by electric shock!

Disconnect the label printer from power supply before performing any maintenance work.

## Cleaning schedule

Cleaning task	Frequency
General cleaning (see section 3.1, page 12).	As necessary.
Cleaning print roller (see section 3.2, page 12).	Each time the label roll is changed or when the printout and label transport are adversely affected.
Cleaning printhead (see section 3.3, page 13).	Direct thermal printing: Each time the label roll is changed. Thermal transfer printing: Each time the transfer ribbon is changed or when the printout is adversely affected.
Cleaning label photocell (see section 3.4, page 14).	When exchanging the label roll.



## WARNING!

Risk of fire by easily inflammable label soluble!

⇒ When using label soluble, dust must be completely removed from the label printer and cleaned.

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## 3.1 General cleaning



### **CAUTION!**

Abrasive cleaning agents can damage the label printer!

- ⇒ Do not use abrasives or solvents to clean the outer surface of the label printer.
- Remove dust and paper fuzz in the printing area with a soft brush or vacuum cleaner.
- ⇒ Clean outer surfaces with an all-purpose cleaner.

## 3.2 Print roller

A soiled print roll can lead to reduced print quality and can affect transport of material.

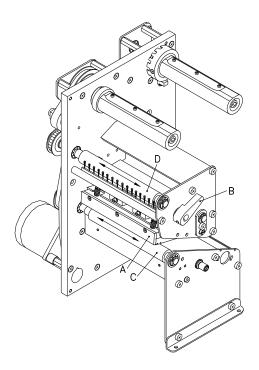


Figure 1

- 1. Open printer cover.
- 2. Turn red lever (B) counter clockwise to lift up the printhead (A).
- 3. Remove labels and transfer ribbon form the label printer.
- 4. Remove deposits with roller cleaner and a soft cloth.
- 5. Turn the roller (C) manually step by step to clean the complete roller (only possible when printer is switched off, as otherwise the step motor is full of power and the roller is kept in its position).

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## 3.3 Printhead

Printing can cause accumulation of dirt at printhead e.g. by colour particles of transfer ribbon, and therefore it is necessary to clean the printhead in regular periods depending on operating hours, environmental effects such as dust etc.



#### **CAUTION!**

Printhead can be damaged!

- Do not use sharp or hard objects to clean the printhead.
- ⇒ Do not touch protective glass layer of the printhead.

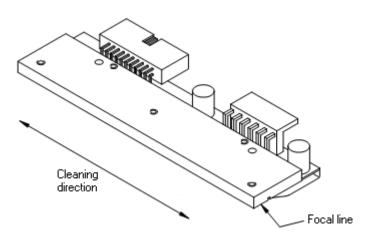


Figure 2

- 1. Open printer cover.
- 2. Turn red lever (B, in Figure 1) counter clockwise to lift up the printhead.
- 3. Remove labels and transfer ribbon from the label printer.
- 4. Clean printhead surface with special cleaning pen or a cotton swab dipped in pure alcohol.
- 5. Allow printhead to dry for 2-3 minutes before commissioning the printer.

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## 3.4 Label photocell



### **CAUTION!**

Label photocell can be damaged!

⇒ Do not use sharp or hard objects or solvents to clean the label photocell.

The label photocell can become dirtied with paper dust and this can adversely affect label detection.

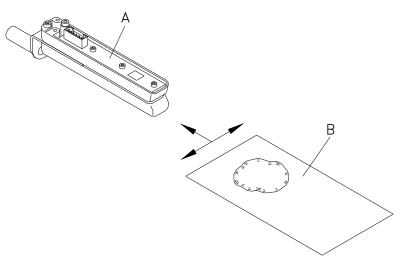


Figure 3

- 1. Open printer cover.
- 2. Turn red lever (B, in Figure 1) counter clockwise to lift up the printhead.
- 3. Remove labels and transfer ribbon from the label printer.
- 4. Blow out the photocell (A) with pressure gas spray. Observe strictly the instructions on the spray can!
- 5. Clean the label photocell (A) additionally with a cleaning card (B) before soaked in pure alcohol. Move the cleaning card from one side to the other (see illustration).
- 6. Reload labels and transfer ribbon.

## 4 Replacing components



## **DANGER!**

Risk of death via electric shock!

⇒ Before opening the housing cover, disconnect the device from the mains supply and wait approx. 2 - 3 minutes until the power supply unit has discharged.

## 4.1 Tool list

Some service work requires the following tools:

- Philips-head screwdriver, size 2
- Screwdriver, size 5
- Allen wrench 1,5 mm / 2 mm / 2,5 mm
- Hexagonal wrench 3 mm
- Spring scale 50 N

## 4.2 Primary fuse

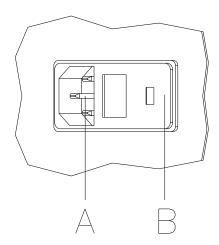


Figure 4

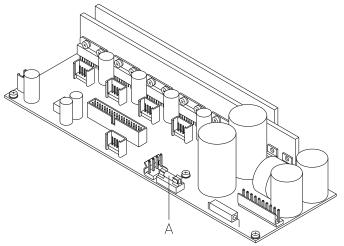
# Removing the primary fuse

- 1. Unplug the power plug from the filter block (A).
- 2. Open cover (B). Lever it off laterally with a screwdriver.
- 3. Pull the fuse carrier (red) behind the cover outwards.
- 4. Remove the micro fuse 2AT.

## Installing the primary fuse

- 1. Insert the micro fuse 2AT into the fuse carrier (red).
- 2. Plug the fuse carrier into the line filter block (A).
- 3. Close the cover (B).
- 4. Connect the power cable.

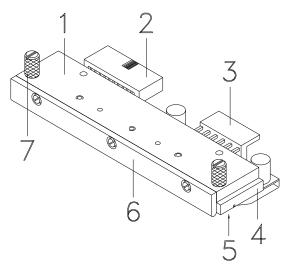
## 4.3 Secondary fuse



- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen two screws at the lower left printer edge and three screws at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 3. Replace secondary fuse (A) on the power supply.
- 4. Mount again the printer cover.

Figure 5

## 4.4 Printhead (general)



## Figure 6

- 1 Head plate
- 2 Plug connection signal
- 3 Plug connection tension
- 4 Printhead
- 5 Focal line
- 6 Guiding
- 7 Knurled screw

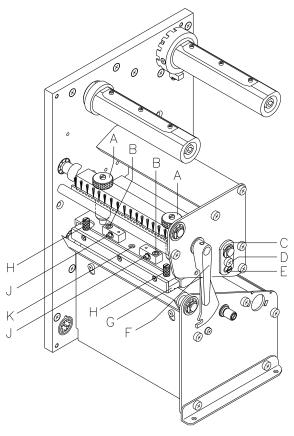


## **CAUTION!**

The printhead can be damaged by static electricity discharges and impacts!

- ⇒ Set up printer on a grounded, conductive surface.
- ⇒ Ground your body, e.g. by wearing a grounded wristband.
- $\Rightarrow$  Do not touch contacts on the plug connections (2, 3).
- ⇒ Do not touch printing line (5) with hard objects or your hands.

## 4.5 Flat Type printhead



## Figure 7

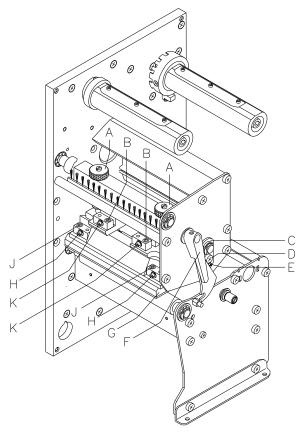
## Removing the printhead

- 1. Remove labels and transfer ribbon from the label printer.
- 2. When printhead is closed, loosen the knurled screws (H).
- 3. Turn red lever (F) counter clockwise to lift up the printhead.
- 4. If the printhead (G) is not disengaged on the pressure roller, continue loosen the knurled screws (H).
- 5. Remove the printhead carefully to the front until you can reach the plug connections.
- 6. Remove plug connections and then remove printhead (G).

## Installing the printhead

- 1. Attach plug connections.
- 2. Position printhead in printhead mounting bracket in such a way that the pins are secured in the corresponding holes in the head plate.
- 3. Lightly keep printhead mounting bracket on the printer roller with one finger and check for correct positioning of the printhead.
- 4. Screw in screw (H) and tighten it.
- 5. Reload labels and transfer ribbon.
- 6. Check resistance value on the type plate of printhead and if necessary change the value in the service functions/heater resistance.

## 4.6 Corner Type printhead



## Figure 8

## Removing the printhead

- 1. Remove labels and transfer ribbon from the label printer.
- 2. When printhead is closed, loosen the knurled screws (J).
- 3. Turn red lever (F) counter clockwise to lift up the printhead.
- 4. If the printhead (G) is not disengaged on the pressure roller, continue loosen the knurled screws (J).
- 5. Remove the printhead carefully to the front until you can reach the plug connections.
- 6. Remove plug connections and then remove printhead (G).

## Installing the printhead

- 1. Attach plug connections.
- 2. Position printhead in printhead mounting bracket in such a way that the pins are secured in the corresponding holes in the head plate.
- 3. Lightly keep printhead mounting bracket on the printer roller with one finger and check for correct positioning of the printhead.
- 4. Screw in screw (J) and tighten it.
- 5. Reload labels and transfer ribbon.
- Check resistance value on the type plate of printhead and if necessary change the value in the service functions/heater resistance.

## 4.7 Print roller

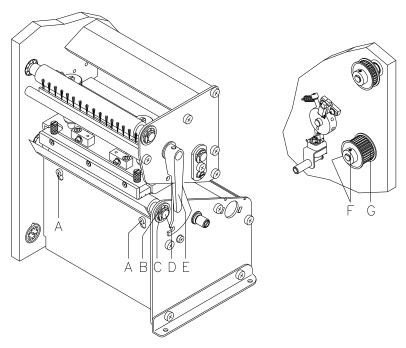


Figure 9

# Removing the print roller

- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 3. Loosen screws (A) and remove tear off edge (if mounted) before the pressure roller.
- 4. Turn red lever (E) clockwise to lift up the printhead.
- 5. Loosen pins (F) from belt pulley (G) on the print roller (D).
- 6. Remove protective disc (C) and ball bearing (B).
- 7. Pull print roller (D) through the drillings outwards.
- 8. Hold the belt pulley (G).

## Installing the print roller

- 1. Insert the new print roller (D) through the drillings and the belt pulley (G).
- 2. Mount protective disc (C) and ball bearing (B).
- 3. When reassembling the belt pulley (G), a pin must meet the milled surface of roller axe.
- Tighten pins (F) strongly.
   The roller has to be installed precisely.
- 5. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of cover.
- 6. Mount again the printer cover.

## 4.8 Label photocell



Soiling of the label photocell can also cause malfunctions. Before replacing the label photocell, check whether it is soiled and clean it if necessary (see chapter 3.4, page 14).

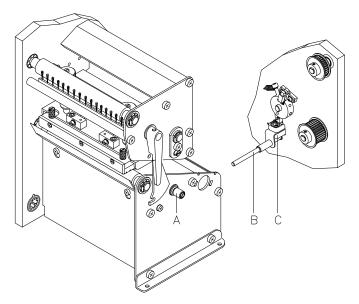


Figure 10

# Removing label photocell

- 1. Remove media from the printer.
- 2. Remove left printer cover. Loosen 3 screws at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws at the chassis upper edge.
- 3. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 4. Turn knurled knob (A) counter clockwise, until the photocell (C) can be removed from the adjusting axis (B).
- 5. Unplug the cable from the plug on the rear end of the label photocell (C).

# Installing the label photocell

- 6. Connect the cable to the label photocell (C).
- 7. Place photocell (C) on the adjusting axis (B) and turn knurled knob (A) in clockwise direction until the photocell arrives at the desired position.
- 8. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of printer cover.
- 9. Install the left printer cover.
- 10. Adjust the label photocell.



When reinstalling the photocell take care that the photocell runs centrically in the plate aperture. One-sided tilting can entail a worse signal level or label accumulation.

## 4.9 CPU PCB

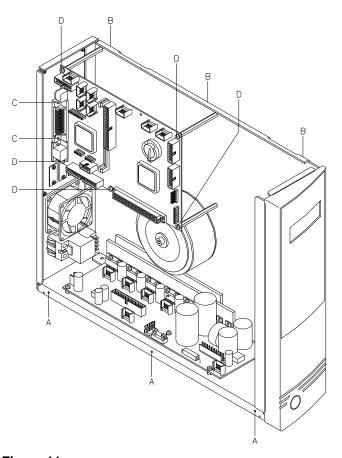


Figure 11

## Removing the CPU PCB

- 1. If possible, save the printer configuration to a memory card.
- 2. Unplug the printer from the electrical outlet.
- 3. Detach all interface cables from the back of the printer.
- 4. Remove left printer cover.
  Loosen 3 screws (A) at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws
  (B) at the chassis upper edge.
- 5. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 6. Unplug all side plug connections from the CPU PCB.
- 7. Remove the two fixing bolts (B) from the Centronics interface.
- 8. Remove the 5 fixing screws (D) from the CPU PCB.
- 9. Carefully remove the CPU PCB.

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## Installing the CPU PCB

- 1. Place CPU PCB into the printer.
- 2. Secure PCB with the 5 fixing screws (D, Figure 11).
- 3. Fasten the 2 fixing screws (C, Figure 11) of the Centronics interface.
- 4. Insert all plug connections on the PCB.
- 5. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of printer cover.
- 6. Install again the left printer cover with screws (A + B, Figure 11).
- 7. Restore all interface connections on the back of the printer.
- 8. Connect the power cable at the rear of the printer.
- 9. Update the firmware if necessary.
- 10. Adjust the label photocell.
- 11. Load the printer configuration from the memory card if possible. Otherwise, set the printer configuration via the operating panel.

## 4.10 Power supply

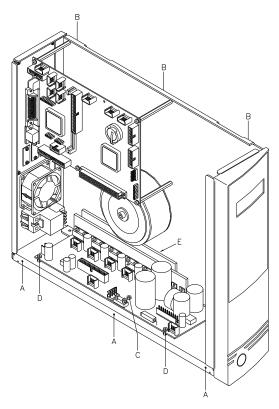


Figure 12

## Removing the power supply

- 1. Unplug the printer from the electrical outlet.
- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws (A) at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws
   (B) at the chassis upper edge.
- 3. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 4. Unplug all cable connections from power supply (F).
- 5. Remove the screw (C) at the rectifier.
- 6. Remove the fixing screws (D).
- 7. Remove the 3 countersink screws (E) at the print mechanics side.
- 8. Remove the power supply unit.

## Installing the power supply

- 1. Insert the new power supply. Take care that no cables are clamped below the heat sink.
- 2. Screw again the 3 countersink screws (E).
- 3. Insert again the fixing screws (D).
- 4. Mount the screw (C) at the rectifier.
- 5. Connect all cable connections at the power supply
- 6. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of printer cover.
- 7. Install again the left printer cover with screws (A + B).
- 8. Connect power cable at the printer rear.

## 4.11 Printhead FPGA

- 1. Remove defective FPGA (B) from PLCC support base with a suitable displacement pincer.
- Pay attention to polarity and press the new FPGA into the support base.

## 4.12 I/O FPGA

- 1. Separate the I/O plate (if available) from the CPU. The I/O FPGA is now visible.
- 2. Remove defective FPGA (A) from PLCC support base with a suitable displacement pincer.
- 3. Pay attention to polarity and press the new FPGA into the support base.

## 4.13 Battery



### **DANGER!**

Danger of explosion when exchanging the battery improper.

⇒ Pay attention to polarity.

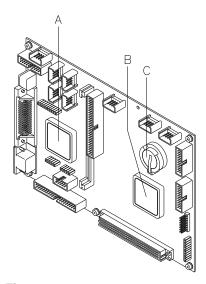


Figure 13

- 1. Lift up the fixing bracket by means of a non-metallic device (e.g. plastic ruler).
- 2. Remove the defective battery (C).
- 3. Insert a new battery (C) into the support and pay attention to position of polarity.

## 5 Adjustments, settings and alignments



### DANGER!

Risk of death via electric shock!

⇒ Before opening the housing cover, disconnect the device from the mains supply and wait approx. 2 - 3 minutes until the power supply unit has discharged.

### 5.1 Print mechanism

Major adjustment of the printing mechanism beyond format-based settings is only required if the printhead assembly has been removed or parts in this area have been replaced. Excluded from this is the replacement of the printhead, after which readjustment is generally not required.

The following print quality imperfections may indicate maladjustment of the printing mechanism:

- Print image too light
- Print image is spotty
- · Print image lighter on one side
- Horizontal lines not parallel to the horizontal label edges
- Clear lateral drift of the transfer ribbon



Print image errors can also arise from wrinkling of the transfer ribbon. This is why the transfer ribbon feed path and the head locking system should be checked before making adjustments to the printing mechanism (see 'operating manual').

Adjustment of the printing mechanism encompasses the following procedures in the order specified:

- 1. Adjust position of printhead (see chapter 5.2, page 28).
- Adjust the ribbon feed path (see chapter 5.4, page 32).
- 3. Adjust the ribbon rewinder/unwinder (see chapter 5.5, page 33).
- 4. Adjust the printhead photocell (see chapter 5.6, page 34).

## 5.2 Position of printhead (Flat Type)

Complete the following printhead settings to achieve the best possible print image:

- Align the heating line with the highest point of the print roller.

  Density of the print image is the greatest at this point.
- ⇒ Set the parallelism of horizontal lines with the edge of the label.



#### **CAUTION!**

The printhead assembly can be damaged.

Attempting to adjust the printhead when the fixing screw (E) is tight can lead to defects at the printhead assembly.

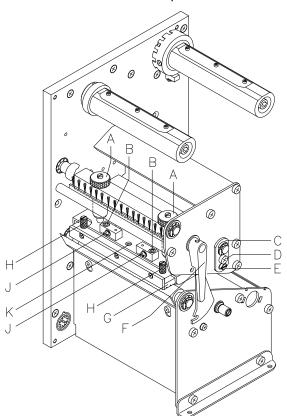
⇒ Always loosen the fixing screw (E) before adjusting the printhead.



Open and close the printhead locking device after each step of the adjustment.

#### **Parallelism**

An important characteristic for a high quality print is the parallelism of the focal line of the thermal printhead to the pressure roll. Because of the fact that the position of focal line of the printhead depends on fluctuations caused by production, it is necessary to adjust the parallelism.



- 1. Loosen the screws (B) with a hexagon key (size 2.5) about one quarter turn.
- Adjust the parallelism with the adjusting screws (J). Clockwise = printhead moves backwards Counter clockwise = printhead moves forwards
- 3. Adjust the parallelism as long as the printing result comes up to your full expectation.
- 4. Fasten again the screws (B).
- 5. Start a print order with approx. 10 labels and control the correct passage of transfer ribbon.

Figure 14

## Pressure balance right/left

After adjusting parallelism and no even strong pressure exists over the complete print width, by means of a plate (C, Figure 14) you can set the balance as follows:

- 1. Loosen screw (D, Figure 14) about one quarter turn.
- 2. Turn the eccentric bolt (E, Figure 14) to adjust the pressure balance.
  - Adjust the balance as long as the printing result comes up to your full expectation.
- 3. Fasten again the screw (D, Figure 14).
- 4. Start a print order with approx. 10 labels and control the correct passage of transfer ribbon

#### **Pressure**

Increasing the head contact pressure leads to an improvement of the print image density on the corresponding side and to a shifting of the ribbon feed path in the corresponding direction.



#### **CAUTION!**

Damage of printhead by unequal use!

⇒ Change factory settings only in exceptional cases.

The selection of the smallest value can optimise the life cycle of printhead.

- 1. Turn the pressure screws (A, Figure 14) to change the pressure of printhead.
- Turning the pressure screws (A, Figure 14) as far as they will go in clockwise direction results in a pressure increase of 10N in contrast to the factory setting.
- Turning the pressure screws (A, Figure 14) exactly one rotation from the right stop position counter clockwise results in the factory settings.



It is importantly that the knurled button which is coated with protective lacquer is not removed from the pressure screw as otherwise the above mentioned settings are faulty.

## 5.3 Position of printhead (Corner Type)

Complete the following printhead settings to achieve the best possible print image:

- Align the heating line with the highest point of the print roller.

  Density of the print image is the greatest at this point.
- ⇒ Set the parallelism of horizontal lines with the edge of the label.



#### **CAUTION!**

The printhead assembly can be damaged.

Attempting to adjust the printhead when the fixing screw (B + J) is tight can lead to defects at the printhead assembly.

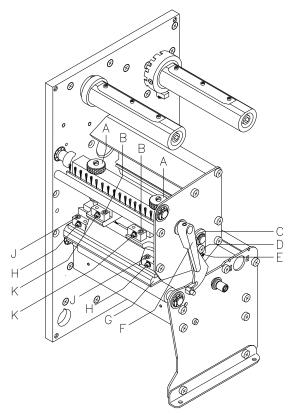
⇒ Always loosen the fixing screw (B + J) before adjusting the printhead.



Open and close the printhead locking device after each step of the adjustment.

#### **Parallelism**

An important characteristic for a high quality print is the parallelism of the focal line of the thermal printhead to the pressure roll. Because of the fact that the position of focal line of the printhead depends on fluctuations caused by production, it is necessary to adjust the parallelism.



The form of the Corner Type printhead needs the setting of parallelism in direction of the adjusting angle and in horizontal position. It needs a little bit of experience to know in which direction you have to adjust the printhead to receive a high quality printing.

- Loosen the screws (J or B) with a hexagon key (size 2.5) about one quarter turn.
- Adjust the parallelism with the adjusting screws (H or K).
   Clockwise = printhead moves backwards
- 3. Counter clockwise = printhead moves forwards
- 4. Adjust the parallelism as long as the printing result comes up to your full expectation.
- 5. Fasten again the screws (J or B).
- 6. Start a print order with approx. 10 labels and control the correct passage of transfer ribbon.

Figure 15

## Pressure balance right/left

After adjusting parallelism and no even strong pressure exists over the complete print width, by means of a plate (C, Figure 15) you can set the balance as follows:

- 1. Loosen screw (D, Figure 15) about one quarter turn.
- 2. Turn the eccentric bolt (E, Figure 8) to adjust the pressure balance.
  - Adjust the balance as long as the printing result comes up to your full expectation.
- 3. Fasten again the screw (D, Figure 15).
- 4. Start a print order with approx. 10 labels and control the correct passage of transfer ribbon.

#### **Pressure**

Increasing the head contact pressure leads to an improvement of the print image density on the corresponding side and to a shifting of the ribbon feed path in the corresponding direction.



#### **CAUTION!**

Damage of printhead by unequal use!

⇒ Change factory settings only in exceptional cases.

The selection of the smallest value can optimise the life cycle of printhead.

- Turn the pressure screws (A, Figure 15) to change the pressure of printhead.
- 2. Turning the pressure screws (A, Figure 15) as far as they will go in clockwise direction results in a pressure increase of 10N in contrast to the factory setting.
- 3. Turning the pressure screws (A, Figure 15) exactly one rotation from the right stop position counter clockwise results in the factory settings.



It is importantly that the knurled button which is coated with protective lacquer is not removed from the pressure screw as otherwise the above mentioned settings are faulty.

## 5.4 Transfer ribbon feed path

Adjust the transfer ribbon feed path by changing the head contact pressure. Increasing the head contact pressure with the screws (A) shifts the ribbon feed path in the corresponding direction. Possibly arising formation of wrinkles can be eliminated by bowing the printhead.



#### **CAUTION!**

The printhead assembly can be damaged when bowing the printhead.

Turning the adjustment screw (K) too hard can cause damage to the printhead assembly.

- As soon as a clear resistance is perceived when turning the adjustment screw (K), only continue turning the screw in very small increments, but no more than one eighth of a turn.
- ⇒ Only turn the adjustment screw (K) as far as is absolutely necessary.

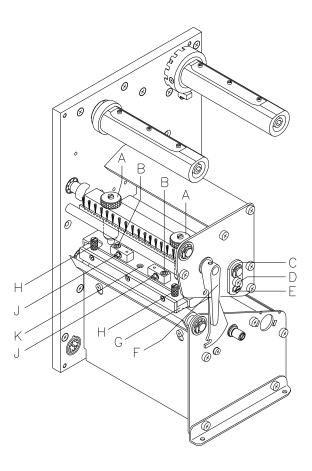


Figure 16

- Check the transfer ribbon feed path.
   The wound up ribbon should be the same distance from the disk of the winder as the supply roller is from the disk of the rewinder.
- If the ribbon runs inward or outward, turn the corresponding screw (J) after loosing the screw (B) clockwise in small increments.
- Wait until the ribbon feed path has stabilized after each step of the adjustment.
- 4. Check the ribbon feed path for wrinkles.
- 5. If the wrinkles cannot be remedied (e.g. wrinkles in the centre), turn the adjustment screw (K) clockwise with extreme care (see warnings) using a hexagonal wrench (2 mm) and observe the ribbon feed path.

  When the adjustment screw (K) is tightened, the printhead is bent downward slightly in the centre. It is possible that a slight lightening at the edge areas of the print image could occur here.

## 5.5 Ribbon rewinder/unwinder

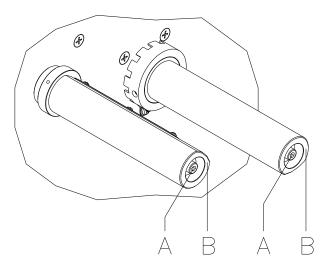


Figure 17

Due to the many different transfer ribbon variants regarding roller width, length and qualities it is necessary to provide the possibility to set transfer ribbon tension.

The transfer ribbon tension is to set in such way that no wrinkles in the ribbon appear but it is transported in the same way as the labels.

When using a too high ribbon tension this results usually in an excellent run of the transfer ribbon but this could lead to streaks onto the label or to a rip of ribbon particularly with narrow roles.

Ex factory the role tension is set to a transfer ribbon 110 mm width and standard quality. As approximate values for the factory setting the following can be accepted:

### Transfer ribbon unwinder:

Distance of screw head (A) to roller face (B) = 2 mm

## Transfer ribbon rewinder:

Distance of screw head (A) to roller face (B) = 4 mm

Tighten hex. head screw (A) = Increasing transfer ribbon tension

Loosen hex. head screw (A) = Reducing transfer ribbon tension

## 5.6 Head photocell

The head photocell prevents printing from occurring when the printhead is open.

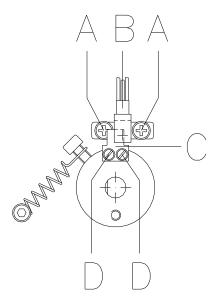


Figure 18

- 1. Unplug the printer from the electrical outlet.
- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws at the chassis upper edge.
- 3. Lock printhead.
- 4. Slightly loosen the fixing screws (A) of the photocell (B).
- 5. Shift the photocell (B) in the elongated hole sideways in such way that the plate (C) extends slightly into the centre of photocell (into the fork).
- 6. Tighten again the screws (A).
- 7. If this measure should not be sufficient, the plate (C) can be also shifted by loosening the screws (D).
- 8. Install again the left printer cover.
- Control the function of head photocell.
   Access the service functions and enter the photocell parameters so control the level value of 'H'.

## 5.7 Cutter ledge

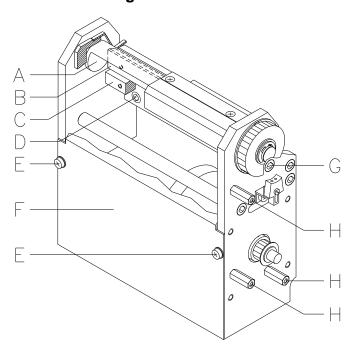


Figure 19



#### CAUTION!

Risk of injury, particularly during maintenance, the cutter blades are sharp!

- ⇒ Switch off the before attaching the cutter!
- The cutter may only be used when it is mounted on the printer!
- ⇒ Do not try to cut any materials which exceed the maximum width or thickness specifications.
- ⇒ Do NOT touch the area of the moving blades!
- 1. Loosen screws (E) and remove front plate (F) of the cutter unit.
- 2. Loosen hex socket head screws (D) and remove cutter unit.
- 3. Place the cutter unit in front of the printer and make sure that the connecting cable has to be connected.
- 4. Insert the power plug and switch on the printer.
- 5. Insert paper or labels from behind through the inserting angle of cutter unit between cutter shaft (A) and cutter ledge (B).
- 6. Start a single cut.
  In the main menu of printer of if a print order has been stopped, press key ▶ to start a single cut.

If the cut is incorrect, the pressure between cutter shaft (A) and cutter ledge (B) is to be increased as described below:

- Remove the right side cover of the cutter unit.
   Remove the 3 screws of the hexagon head bolts (H).
- 2. Loosen the 2 screws (G) of the spacer pillar.
- 3. Turn the spacer pillar (C) slightly downwards with a flat spanner (size 8).
- 4. Tighten again the 2 screws (G).
- Start a single cut.
   In the main menu of printer of if a print order has been stopped, press key ▶ to start a single cut.

In case the quality of the cut is not sufficient then repeat the above mentioned steps.

If the pressure is too strong this could result in an increased ware. Therefore select the pressure only as high as it is necessary for the used material.

Switch off the printer and mount again the cutter unit in reverse order.

#### 5.8 Angle of aperture (cutter unit)



#### **CAUTION!**

Risk of injury, particularly during maintenance, the cutter blades are sharp!

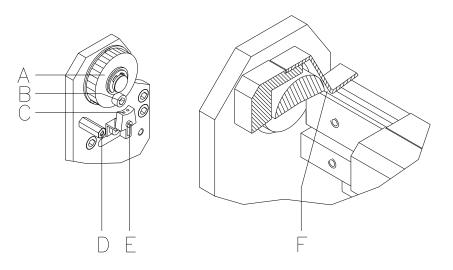


Figure 20

If the labels show dog-ears after the cutting procedure or if a paper jam occurred then the angle of aperture (F) is to be increased.

- 1. Remove the 3 countersink screws (D).
- Remove the right cover of cutter unit.
   The reflexion photocell (C) scans the screw head (B) onto the belt drive (A).
- If the angle of aperture is too small, the photocell has to be turned slightly in clockwise direction.
   Loosen the screw (E). Keep the distance of 5 mm between photocell and screw head.
- 4. Place the cover onto the spacer pillar in order that the reflexion photocell is not exposed to extraneous light.
- 5. Start a number of test cuts.
  Verify if the cutter unit effects the cuttings over the complete passage width.
- If an uncut margin remains at the right side then the angle of aperture is too big.
   In this case turn back slightly the photocell.
- 7. Mount again the cover.

# 5.9 Pressure curve (ribbon save)

If the ribbon save function is activated and the printhead is not enough lifted up from the label material, then the pressure curve is to be adjusted anew. The pressure curve is onto the shaft of the ribbon save motor (A).

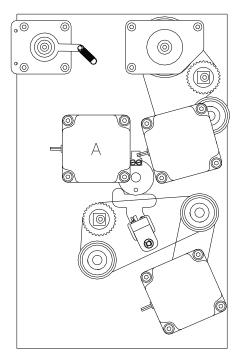


Figure 21

- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.

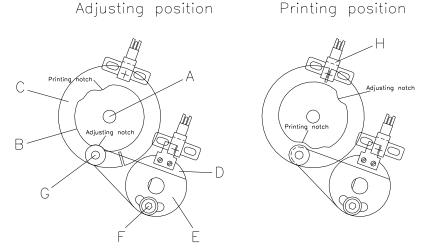


Figure 22

The sketch (see Figure 22) shows from behind the shaft of ribbon save motor (A) with pressure curve (B) and disc (C). The bearing ring (D) with the attached sole plate (E) is underneath.

- 3. Make sure that the printhead is closed.
- 4. Loosen the hex socket head screw (F) about 1 turn until the sole plate (E) with the attached ball bearing is freely mobile.
- 5. Turn by hand the motor shaft with pressure curve and disk in the adjusting position (see Figure 22).
- 6. Press the sole plate (E) with the ball bearing (G) in the adjusting notch of the pressure curve. Take care of not to have too much play. Fasten the hex socket head screw (F).
- 7. Lift up the printhead.
- 8. Turn by hand the motor shaft with pressure curve and disc into the adjusting position (see Figure 22).
- 9. Move down the printhead.
- 10. Turn by hand the motor shaft with pressure curve and disk from the lift to the right until a slight resistance can be noticed. If the slot in the disk can be moved slightly to the right and to the left out of the photocell (H), then the pressure curve is adjusted correctly.
- 11. If the gap should not be in the range of the photocell, the following causes are possible:
  - The wrong notch on the pressure curve was used for the adjustment.
  - The pressure curve is twisted to the disc on the motor shaft.
     The slot of disc has to be placed exactly face to face with the printer position notch!
- 12. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of printer cover.
- 13. Move the printer cover onto the chassis.
- 14. Switch on the printer.
- 15. Press the keys and to move the printhead down and up. If very thick label material is used it could occur that the printhead is not enough lifted up. In order to position the printhead correctly, repeat the adjusting steps again. However, keep the material during the adjustment between the printhead and the roller.
- 16. Install again the printer cover.

### 5.10 Supporting bar (ribbon save)

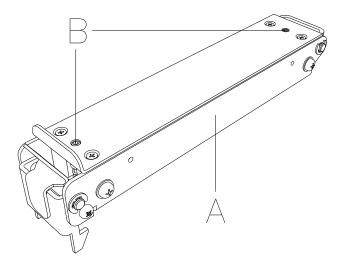


Figure 23

If the transfer ribbon save function is active and a paper jam occurs or if the print position onto the label is incorrect, this could be traced back to an inadequate adjustment of the supporting bar (A).

The supporting bar (A) in connection with the beneath positioned transport roller is responsible for the label feed (if printhead is lifted up). The pressure of the supporting bar should be the same as the value for the printhead. The factory setting corresponds to an average for standard labels. For very narrow, extremely smooth or thick labels a different setting is necessary.

Use the threaded pins (B) to change the pressure.

Pressure increase = screw threaded pins (B).

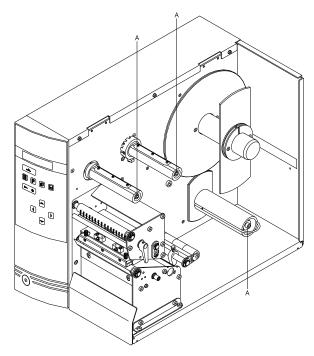
Pressure decrease = loosen threaded pins (B).

By means of test prints you can adjust the specific pressure you need for your application.

#### 5.11 Oil and Lubricate



Make sure when oiling and greasing that no lubricants deposit on photocells, electronic components, circuit boards, printhead and rolls



A = Grease

B = Low viscosity oil

C = Oil

Figure 24

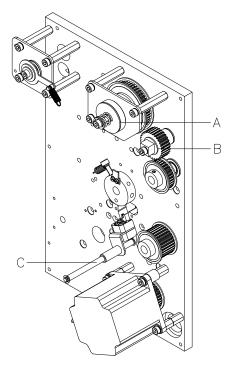


Figure 25

In case that dust or other dirt is deposit you have to clean the lubrication at first with alcohol.

Apply rather in regular intervals (1-2 per year) a bit of lubricant, as only rarely too much. Otherwise the surplus of lubricant could settle on neighbouring components and disturb the functions.

In case those components should have run it because of lack of lubricant, exchange these as soon as possible so the functions of the components and the printer remain.

Install again all components which you have dismantled for the lubrication in the correct position.

Take care e.g. tensions of belt, springs etc.

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#### **DANGER!**

Risk of death via electric shock!

⇒ Before opening the housing cover, disconnect the device from the mains supply and wait approx. 2 - 3 minutes until the power supply unit has discharged.

#### 6.1 Memory card slot

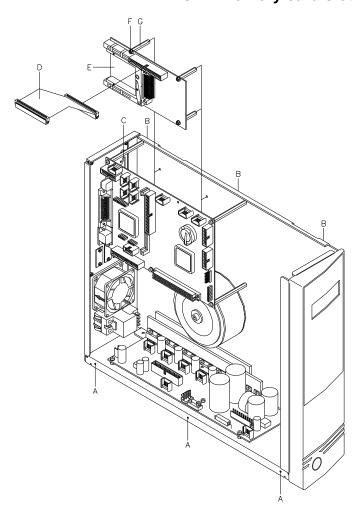


Figure 26

- 1. Remove left printer cover. Loosen 3 screws (A) at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws (B) at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- Remove the cover at the breakout (C). The breakout is behind the CPU at height of Centronics interface.
- At the print mechanics side, remove both of the label unwinding disks.
- 5. Fix 4 enclosed distance bolts (G) with the corresponding washers and nuts (F) at the memory card plate.
- 6. Insert connecting cable (D) onto memory card plate.
- Place the pre-assembled memory Card plate (E) behind CPU and fix it with the enclosed countersink screw at the chassis base.
- Insert the connecting cable (D)
   corresponding to the wiring plan
   (see chapter 8, page 61), into the
   appropriate plug-in position ST20
   of the CPU.
- 9. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of cover.
- 10. Mount again the printer cover and label unwinding disks.

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#### 6.2 Compact Flash card slot

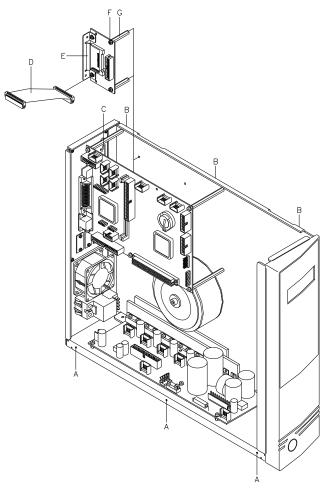
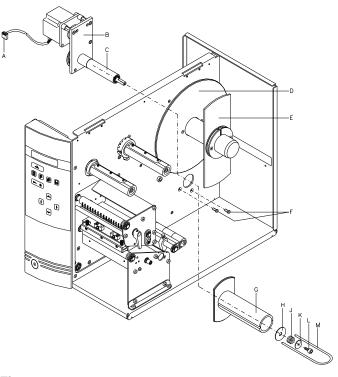


Figure 27

- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws (A) at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws (B) at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- Remove the cover at the breakout (C). The breakout is behind the CPU at height of Centronics interface.
- At the print mechanics side, remove both of the label unwinding disks.
- Fix 2 enclosed distance bolts (G) with the corresponding washers and nuts (F) at the CF card plate.
- 6. Insert connecting cable (D) onto CF card plate.
- Place the pre-assembled CF card plate (E) behind CPU and fix it with the enclosed countersink screw at the chassis base.
- Insert the connecting cable (D)
   corresponding to the wiring plan
   (see chapter 8, page 61), into the
   appropriate plug-in position ST26
   of the CPU.
- 9. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of cover.
- 10. Mount again the printer cover and label unwinding disks.

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#### 6.3 Internal rewinder



#### Figure 28

- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 3. At the print mechanics side, remove both of the label unwinding disks (D + E).
- 4. Unscrew 4 screws (F) and remove cover sheet for the rewinder.
- 5. Push the supporting plate with motor (B) of the set-up kit from behind through the chassis aperture and fix the rewinder with the countersink screws (F).
- 6. Insert the motor cable (A) corresponding to the wiring plan (see chapter 8, page 61), into the appropriate plug-in position ST21 of the power supply.
- 7. Push the rewinding roll (G) onto the tube (C) of the rewinding unit.
- 8. Push the brake disc (H) with the punching side inwards to the rewinding axe.
- 9. Push the pressure spring (J) onto the rewinding axe and screw the hex socket head screw (L) with disc (K) as far as it will go. After this loosen the hex socket head screw (L) about 3 turns counter clockwise.
- 10. Push the handle (M) onto the roll.
- 11. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of cover.
- 12. Mount again the printer cover and label unwinding disks.

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#### 6.4 Ethernet interface

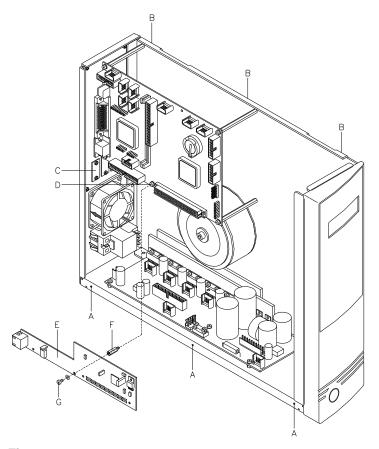


Figure 29

- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws (A) at the lower left printer edge and 3 screws
   (B) at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 3. Remove cover at the breakout (C).
- 4. Unscrew the fixing screws (D) and keep them safe.
- 5. Screw the distance bolt (F) instead of screw (D).
- 6. Place the Ethernet plate (E) in the breakout (C) and insert it into the plug-in position ST1 onto the CPU.
- 7. Fix the plate with the previously removed screw (G) at the distance bolt.
- 8. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of cover.
- 9. Mount again the left printer cover with screws (A + B).

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# 6.5 I/O plate

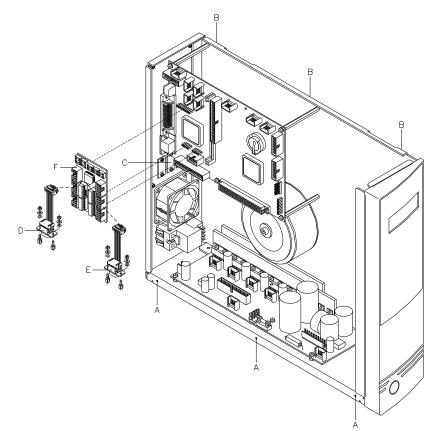


Figure 30

- Remove left printer cover.
   Loosen 3 screws at the lower left printer edge (A) and 3 screws
   (B) at the chassis upper edge.
- 2. Remove the protective conductor at the inside of the printer cover.
- 3. Remove covers (C) at the two interface disruptions from the chassis rear.
- 4. Fix the output cable (D) with 9-pin connector at the aft disruption.
- 5. Fix the input cable (E) with 9-pin connector at the front disruption.
- 6. Place the input/output plate (F) carefully onto the corresponding carrier of the CPU.
- 7. Insert the connecting cables for inputs/outputs corresponding to the wiring plan (see chapter 8, page 61) into the appropriate plugin positions of the I/O plate (F).
- 8. Connect the protective conductor to the inside of printer cover.
- 9. Mount again the printer cover.

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#### 6.6 Dispensing unit

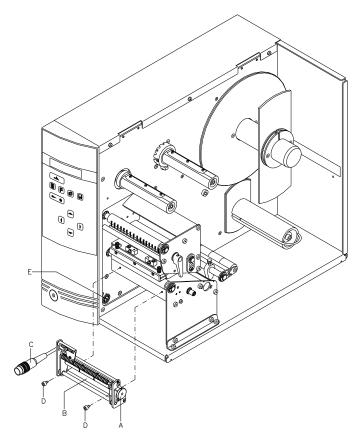


Figure 31

# Dispensing unit without photocell

- 1. Remove tear off edge (if mounted) at the front of printer.
- 2. For an easier handling, remove front plate (if mounted) which is fixed at the printer base.
- 3. Pull the red knurled knob (A) to open the dispenser rocker.
- 4. Fix the dispensing unit with hex. head screws (D) at the aluminium profile underneath the pressure roller.
- 5. Engage again the dispenser rocker.

# Dispensing unit with photocell

- 1. Remove tear off edge (if mounted) at the front of printer.
- 2. For an easier handling, remove front plate (if mounted) which is fixed at the printer base.
- 3. Pull the red knurled knob (A) to open the dispenser rocker.
- 4. Place the dispensing unit (B) before the pressure roller. Introduce the photocell cable (C) between the chassis and the left supporting plate of the dispenser downwards.
- 5. Fix the dispensing unit with the hex. head screws (D) at the aluminium profile beneath the pressure roller.
- 6. Engage again the dispenser rocker.
- Insert the plug of photocell cable (C) into the female connector (E) and fasten it.

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#### 6.7 Cutting unit



#### **CAUTION!**

Risk of injury, particularly during maintenance, the cutter blades are sharp!

- ⇒ Switch off the before attaching the cutter!
- The cutter may only be used when it is mounted on the printer!
- Do not try to cut any materials which exceed the maximum width or thickness specifications.
- ⇒ Do NOT touch the area of the moving blades!

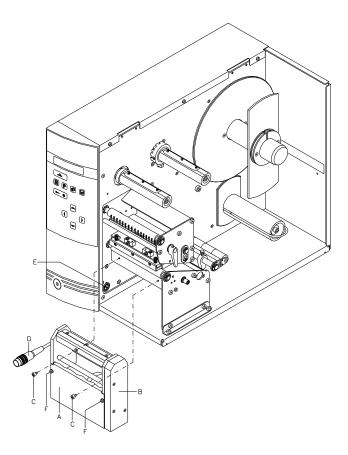


Figure 32

- 1. Remove tear-off edge (if mounted) and the fixing screws at the printer front.
- 2. Remove front plate (if mounted) which is fixed at the printer base.
- 3. If pre-assembled, remove front plate (A) of cutting unit (B).
- 4. Hold the cutting unit slightly inclined on the right side in front of the pressure roller so that the threaded holes of the aluminium profile have approximately the same height as the through holes at the cutting unit.
- 5. Press the cutting unit backwards at the left side.
- 6. Fix the cutting unit with the screws (C) at the aluminium profile.
- 7. Insert the plug of cable (D) into the female connector (E) and fasten it.
- Fix the front plate (A) with the screws (F) at the side panels of the cutting unit. Make sure that the front plate with the upper short chamfer in the slot is placed between the cutter blade and the square pillar.

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# 6.8 Guiding for Leporello fold material

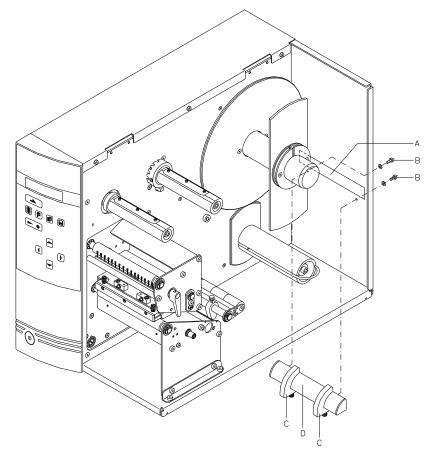


Figure 33

At the printer rear you can find a breakout (A) for externally supplied label material.

- 1. Place the setup-kit for Leporello guiding (D) as illustrated above in front of the breakout.
- 2. Fix the Leporello guiding with the enclosed screws (B) and slot nuts at the rear.
- 3. Adjust the label guiding (C) according to material width.
- 4. The supplied label material should be aligned as parallel as possible to the centre panel of the printer.

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#### 7 Error correction

Error 01 Line too high Line rises up completely or partly over the upper edge of layout.

Move line down (increase Y value).

Check rotation and font.

Error 02 Line too low Line rises up completely or partly over the bottom edge of layout.

Move line up (reduce Y value). Check rotation and font.

Error 03 Character set One res. several characters of the text is res. are not available in the selected font. Change text. Change font.

Error 04 Unknown codetype Selected code is not available.

Check code type.

Error 05 Illegal rotation Selected position is not available.

Check position.

Error 06 Font Selected font is not available.

Check font.

Error 07 Vector font Selected font is not available.

Check font.

Error 08 Measuring label While measuring no layout was found.

Check layout length and if layouts are inserted correctly. Restart measuring anew.

Check if layouts are inserted

Set layout length is too large.

Restart measuring anew.

Insert new layout roll.

Error 09 No label found No layout available. Soiled layout photocell. Layouts not inserted correctly.

correctly.

of inserted correctly. correct

Clean the layout photocell.

Error 10 No ribbon During the print order the ribbon roll becomes empty.

Defect at the transfer ribbon

Change transfer ribbon.
Check transfer ribbon photocell

(service functions).

Error 11 COM Framing Stop bit error.

photocell.

Check stop bits.
Check baud rate.

Check cable (printer and PC).

Error 12 COM Parity Parity error. Check parity.

Check baud rate.

Check cable (printer and PC).

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Error 13 COM Overrun	Loss of data at serial interface (RS-232).	Check baud rate. Check cable (printer and PC).
Error 14 Field number	Received line number is invalid at RS-232 and Centronics.	Check sent data. Check connection PC - printer.
Error 15 Length mask	Invalid length of received mask statement.	Check sent data. Check connection PC - printer.
Error 16 Unknown mask	Transferred mask statement is invalid.	Check sent data. Check connection PC - printer.
Error 17 Missing ETB	No end of data found.	Check sent data. Check connection PC - printer.
Error 18 Inv. character	One res. several characters of the text is res. are not available in the selected font.	Change text. Change font.
Error 19 Inv. statement	Unknown transferred data record.	Check sent data. Check connection PC - printer.
Error 20 Inv. checkdigit	For check digit control the entered res. received check digit is wrong.	Calculate check digit anew. Check code data.
Error 21 Illegal SC code	Selected SC factor is invalid for EAN res. UPC.	Check SC factor.
Error 22 Inv. no of digit	Entered digits for EAN res. UPC are invalid < 12; > 13.	Check number of digits.
Error 23 Type checkdigit	Selected check digit calculation is not available in the bar code.	Check calculation of check digit. Check bar code type.
Error 24 Inv. extension	Selected zoom factor is not available.	Check zoom factor.
Error 25 Sign of offset	Entered sign is not available.	Check offset value.
Error 26 Value of offset	Entered offset value is invalid.	Check offset value.

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Error 27 Printhead temp.	Printhead temperature is too high. Defective printhead sensing device.	Reduce contrast. Change printhead.
Error 28 Error cutter	With cut an error occurred. Paper jam.	Check layout run. Check cutter run.
Error 29 Inv. parameter	Entered data do not correspond to the characters allowed from the application identifier.	Check code data.
Error 30 Appl. Identifier	Selected application identifier is not available in GS1-128 (EAN 128).	Check code data.
Error 31 HIBC Definition	F Missing HIBC system sign. Missing primary code.	Check definition of HIBC code.
Error 32 System clock	Real Time Clock function is selected but the battery is empty. Defective RTC.	Change battery. Change RTC component.
Error 33 No interface	Interrupted connection CPU - memory card. Defective memory card interface.	Check connection CPU - memory card interface. Check memory card interface.
Error 34 No print memory	No print memory found.	Check memory assembly on CPU.
Error 35 Cover open	At start of a print order the printhead is open.	Close the printhead and start print order anew.
Error 36 BCD inv format	BCD error Invalid format for the calculation of Euro variable.	Check entered format.
Error 37 BCD Overflow	BCD error Invalid format for the calculation of Euro variable.	Check entered format.
Error 38 BCD Division	BCD error Invalid format for the calculation of Euro variable.	Check entered format.
Error 39 FLASH Error	Flash component error.	Run a software update. Change CPU.

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Error 40 Length command	Invalid length of the received command statement.	Check data sent. Check connection PC - printer.
Error 41 No drive	Memory card not found / not correctly inserted.	Insert memory card correctly.
Error 42 Drive error	Impossible to read memory card (faulty).	Check memory card, if necessary change it.
Error 43 Not formatted	Memory Card not formatted.	Format memory card.
Error 44 Delete act. dir.	Attempt to delete the actual directory.	Change directory.
Error 45 Path too long	Too long indication of path.	Indicate a shorter path.
Error 46 Drive WP	Memory Card is write-protected.	Deactivate write protection.
Error 47 Dir. not file	Attempt to indicate a directory as file name.	Correct your entry.
Error 48 File alrdy open	Attempt to change a file during an access is active.	Select another file.
Error 49 No file/dir	File does not exist on memory card.	Check file name.
Error 50 Invalid filename	File name contains invalid characters.	Correct entry of name, remove special characters.
Error 51 Int. file error	Internal file system error.	Please contact your distributor.
Error 52 Root full	The max. number (64) of main directory entries is reached.	Delete at least one main directory entry and create subdirectories.
Error 53 Drive full	Maximum memory capacity is reached.	Use new Memory Card, delete no longer required files.

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Error 54 File/dir exists	The selected file/directory already exists.	Check name, select a different name.
Error 55 File too large	During copying procedure not enough memory space onto target drive available.	Use a larger target card.
Error 56 No update file	Errors in update file of firmware.	Start update file anew.
Error 57 Inv.qraph.file	The selected file does not contain graphic data.	Check file name.
Error 58 Dir not empty	Attempt to delete a not empty directory.	Delete all files and sub- directories in the desired directory.
Error 59 No interface	No memory card drive found.	Check connection of memory card drive. Contact your distributor
Error 60 No card	No memory card is inserted.	Insert memory card in the slot.
Error 61 Webserver error	Error at start of web server.	Please contact your distributor.
Error 62 Wrong PH-FPGA	The direct print module is equipped with the wrong FPGA.	Please contact your distributor.
Error 63 End position	The layout length is too long. The number of layouts per cycle is too much.	Check layout length res. the number of layouts per cycle.
Error 64 Zero point	Defective photocell.	Change photocell.
Error 65 Compressed air	Pressure air is not connected.	Check pressure air.
Error 66 Ext. release	External print release signal is missing.	Check input signal.
Error 67 Row too long	Wrong definition of column width res. number of columns.	Reduce the column width res. correct the number of columns.

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Error 68 Scanner	The connected bar code scanner signals a device error.	Check the connection scanner/printer. Check scanner (dirty).
Error 69 Scanner NoRd	Bad print quality. Printhead completely soiled or defective. Print speed too high.	Increase contrast. Clean printhead or exchange (if necessary). Reduce print speed.
Error 70 Scanner Data	Scanned data does not correspond to the data which is to print.	Exchange printhead.
Error 71 Invalid page	As page number either 0 or a number > 9 is selected.	Select a number between 1 and 9.
Error 72 Page selection	A page which is not available is selected.	Check the defined pages.
Error 73 Page not defined	The page is not defined.	Check the print definition.
Error 74 Format user quid	Wrong format for customised entry.	Check the format string.
Error 75 Format date/time	Wrong format for date/time.	Check the format string.
Error 76 Hotstart MC	No memory card found.	If option hotstart was activated, a memory card must be inserted. Switch off the printer before inserting the memory card.
Error 77 Mirror/Rotate	Selection of print of several columns and also mirror/rotate.	It is only possible to select one of both functions.
Error 78 System file	Loading of temporary hotstart files.	Not possible.
Error 79 Shift variable	Faulty definition of shift times (overlapping times).	Check definition of shift times.
Error 80 RSS Code	General RSS bar code error.	Check definition and parameter of RSS bar code.

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Error 81 IGP error	Protocol error IGP.	Check sent data.
Error 82 Time generation	Printing creation was still active at print start.	Reduce print speed. Use printers' output signal for synchronisation. Use bitmap fonts to reduce generating time.
Error 83 Transport prot.	Both DPM position sensors (start/end) are active.	Displace zero point sensor Check sensors in service functions menu
Error 84 No font data	Font and web data is missing.	Run a software update.
Error 85 No layout ID	Layout ID definition is missing.	Define layout ID onto the layout.
Error 86 Layout ID	Scanned data does not correspond to defined ID.	Wrong layout loaded from memory card.
Error 87 RFID no label	RFID unit cannot recognise a layout.	Displace RFID unit or use an offset.
Error 88 RFID verify	Error while checking programmed data.	Faulty RFID layout. Check RFID definitions
Error 89 RFID timeout	Error at programming the RFID layout.	Layout positioning. Faulty layout.
Error 90 RFID data	Faulty or incomplete definition of RFID data.	Check RFID data definitions.
Error 91 RFID type	Definition of layout data does not correspond with the used layout.	Check storage partitioning of used layout type
Error 92 RFID lock	Error at programming the RFID layout (locked fields).	Check RFID data definitions. Layout was already programmed.
Error 93 RFID program.	Error at programming the RFID layout.	Check RFID definitions.

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Error 94 Scanner timeout	The scanner could not read the bar code within the set timeout time.	
	Defective printhead. Wrinkles in transfer ribbon. Scanner wrong positioned. Timeout time too short.	Check printhead. Check transfer ribbon. Position scanner correctly, corresponding to the set feeding. Select longer timeout time.
Error 95 Scan layout diff	Scanner data does not correspond to bar code data.	Check adjustment of scanner. Check scanner settings / connection.
Error 96 COM break	Serial interface error.	Check settings for serial data transmission as well as cable (printer-PC).
Error 97 COM general	Serial interface error.	Check settings for serial data transmission as well as cable (printer-PC).
Error 98 No SW PH-FPGA	No printhead-FPGA data available.	Please contact your responsible distributor.
Error 99 Load SW PH-FPGA	Error when programming printhead-FPGA.	Please contact your responsible distributor.
Error 100 Upper position	Sensor signal up is missing (option APL 100).	Check input signals / compressed-air supply.
Error 101 Lower position	Sensor signal down is missing (option APL 100).	Check input signals / compressed-air supply.
Error 102 Vac. plate empty	Sensor does not recognise a label at vacuum plate (option APL 100).	Check input signals / compressed-air supply.
Error 103 Start signal	Print order is active but device not ready to process it.	Check start signal.
Error 104 No print data	Print data outside the defined layout. Selection of wrong module type (design software).	Check selected module type. Check selection of left/right version.

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Error 105 Printhead	No original printhead is used.	Check the used printhead. Contact your distributor.
Error 106 Invalid Taq type	Wrong Tag type. Tad data do not match the Tag type in the printer.	Adapt data or use the correct Tag type.
Error 107 RFID inactiv	RFID module is not activated. No RFID data can be processed.	Activate RFID module or remove RFID data from label data.
Error 108 GS1-128 invalid	Transferred GS1-128 (EAN 128) bar code is invalid.	Verify bar code data (see GS1-128 bar code specification).
Error 109 EPC Parameter	Error at EPC calculation.	Verify data (see EPC specification).
Error 110 Housing open	When starting the print order the housing cover is not closed.	Close the housing cover and start the print order anew.
Error 111 EAN.UCC Code	Transferred EAN.UCC code is invalid.	Verify bar code data (see corresponding specification).
Error 112 Print carriage	Printing carriage does not move.	Check gear belt (possibly broken).

#### **Control inputs and outputs** 8

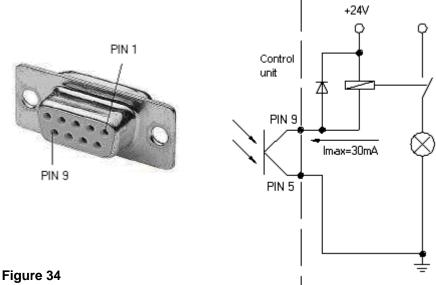
#### **Option I** 8.1

#### **Control outputs**

Via signal outputs various operating modes of the printer can be demanded.

The signal outputs are made available vial two 9-pin D-Sub-sockets (Output 1) at the rear of the Control Unit. They consist of optointegrator semiconductor lines which are switched through res. blocked out corresponding to the different operating modes.

In case a control output is active, then the corresponding output is to strain with a maximum current of 30mA.



PIN (socket)	Output I
9	Out 1: Error message
5	Each error status such as ribbon error is displayed.
1 / 8	Out 2: Print order
7	The printer was activated with a print order. Now print start by IN1 is possible.
1 / 6	Out 3: Label generation
IK.	The printer is filled with current label data.
2	In case in dispensing mode either dispensing photocell or dispensing photocell continuous is selected it is indicated if a label is under photocell and ready to pick up.
1 /4	Out 4: Single print
3	The content of printer memory is printed to the corresponding medium by printhead.

#### **Control inputs**

Via the control input the print start signal is lead to the control unit. The control input is electroplated separated and has to be provided with an external tension source. The signal level is active "HIGH".

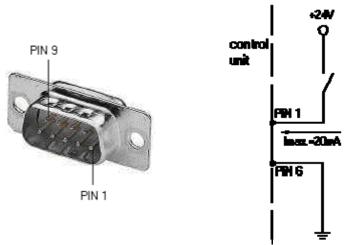


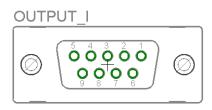
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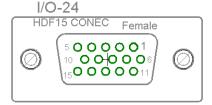
DIN	Imm. 4 I	Immed II
PIN	Input I	Input II
1- ∇ <b>/</b>	In 1: cutter mode = cut is activated dispenser mode = print start	In 5: Not used
6		
7	In 2: Not used	In 6: Not used
8 /	In 3: Not used	In 7: Not used
3	In 4: Not used	In 8: Not used

#### 8.2 Option II

For special applications, an I/O plate with 24 V supply and special options is available.

Back view of I/O connector.





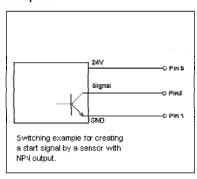
Output I is identical to option I.

The I/O-24 connector is 15-pole and provides user-sided 24 V for pins 5 and 10 for supplying the sensors (max. 200 mA).

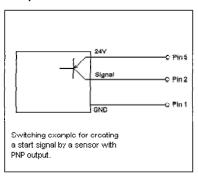
Pin 1, 6 and 11 are equipped with GND. In case of using I/O-24 signals, exist no galvanic separation.

The other connection possibilities of I/O-24 connector can be noticed from the below switching examples.

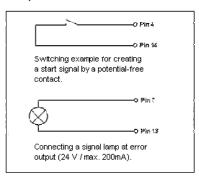
Example 1:



Example 2:



Example 3:



Spectra series Wiring plan

# 9 Wiring plan

Spectra 107, 108, 160, 162

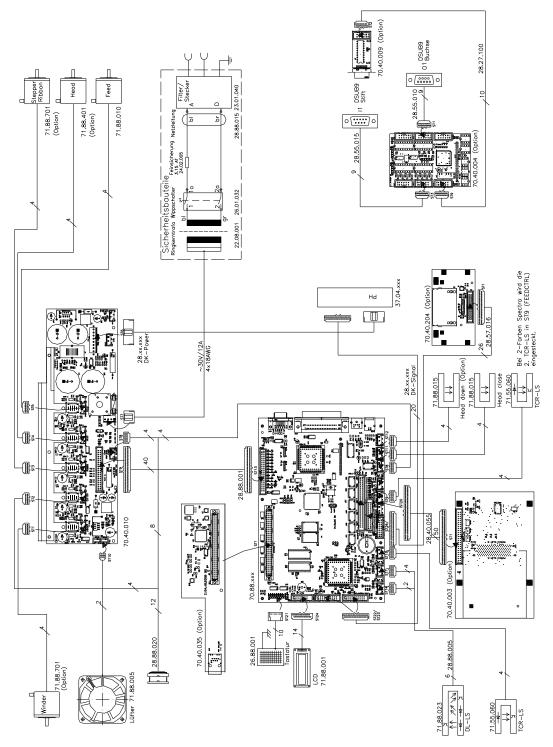


Figure 36

Wiring plan Spectra series

### Spectra 216

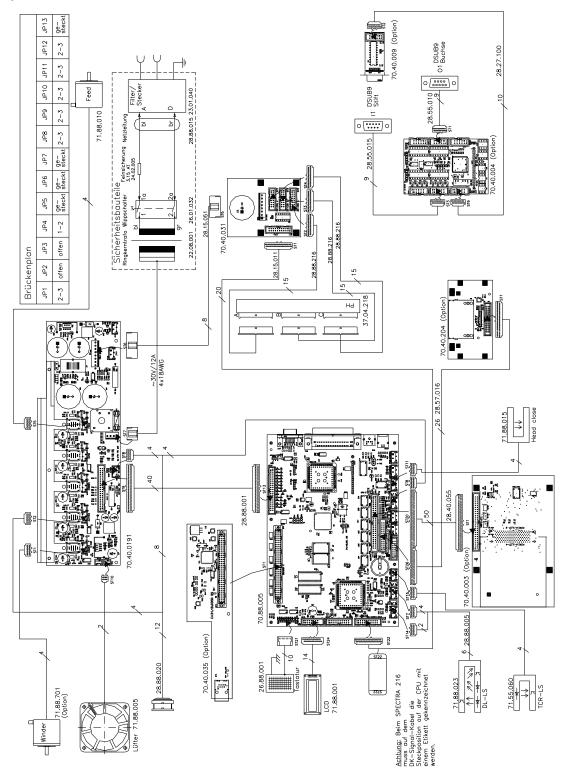


Figure 37

Spectra series Layout diagrams

# 10 Layout diagrams

#### 10.1 CPU

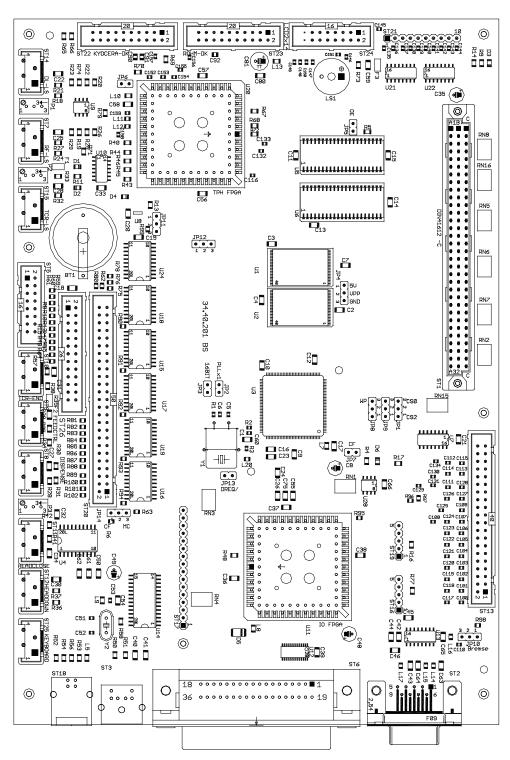


Figure 38

Layout diagrams Spectra series

Jumper plan for Spectra 107, 108, 160, 162

	JP1	JP2	JP3	JP4	JP5	JP6	JP7
BOOT	1-2	open	closed	1-2	closed	open	open
STANDARD	2-3	open	open	1-2	closed	open	closed*

	JP8	JP9	JP10	JP11	JP12	JP13	JP14
BOOT	1-2	1-2	-	1-2	1-2	open	open
STANDARD	2-3	2-3	2-3	1-2	1-2	open	1-2*

# Jumper plan for Spectra 216

	JP1	JP2	JP3	JP4	JP5	JP6	JP7
BOOT	1-2	open	closed	1-2	closed	open	open
2 charging circuits	2-3	open	open	1-2	closed	closed	closed *

	JP8	JP9	JP10	JP11	JP12	JP13	JP14
BOOT	1-2	1-2	-	1-2	1-2	open	open
2 charging circuits	2-3	2-3	2-3	2-3	2-3	closed	1-2*



If PCMCIA interface is used, JP7 open and JP14 2-3

#### Component overview

P1 Sensibility label photocell transmission P2 Sensibility label photocell reflexion P3 Sensibility dispenser photocell U1; U2 FLASH component U3 32 bit RISC processor U5; U6 **DRAM** U8 RESET component RTC (Real Time Clock) U10 U11 INPUT/OUTPUT FPGA U13 RS-232 component USB (Universal Serial Bus) component U14 U20 Printhead FPGA U28 serial EEPROM

#### **Plug-in positions**

ST1 Bus male connector (option ETHERNET) ST7 Label photocell reflexion Dispenser photocell (option) ST8 ST11 Printhead open/closed Ribbon save photocell (option) ST12 Connection to power unit ST13 ST14 Label photocell transmission ST15 Ribbon control ST16, 17, 19 DISPENSING I/O, RS-485, RS-422 (option) MEMORY CARD - PCMCIA (option) ST20 ST21 Foil keyboard ST22 Printhead KCE107/12 or KCE 160/12 ST23 Printhead RH108/12 or RH162/12 ST24 ST26 MEMORY CARD - Compact Flash (option)

Spectra series Layout diagrams

# 10.2 Power supply unit (revision G)

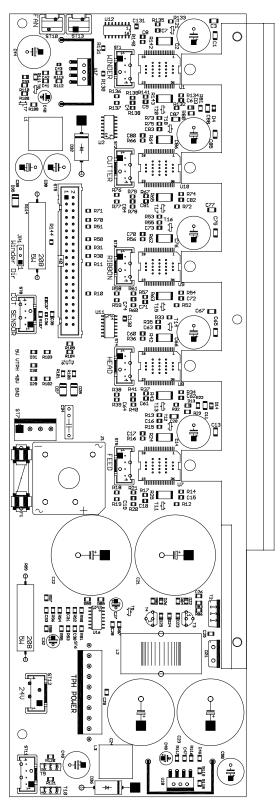


Figure 39

Layout diagrams Spectra series

Component overview	U1 U7 U8 U9 U10 U16 U17 U18 Z1 F1	Motor driver 'internal winder' (option) Motor driver feed motor Motor driver ribbon save motor (option) Motor driver ribbon motor (option ribbon save) Motor driver cutter motor (option) Control component printhead heater voltage Voltage control 5V Voltage control 24V Bridge rectifier Secondary fuse 10A/T P circuit MOS-FET 100V/50A printhead voltage
Plug-in positions	ST1 ST2 ST3 ST4 ST5 ST6 ST7 ST8 ST9 ST10, 13 ST11 ST12	Motor plug 'internal winder' (option) Motor plug cutter motor (option) Motor plug ribbon motor (option ribbon save) Motor plug ribbon save motor (option) Motor plug feed motor Heater voltage printhead Toroidal transformer Cutter photocell (option) Connection CPU Fan Valve/Brake 24V
Measuring points	5V 24V 40V GND	Voltage for CPU (VCC) Heater voltage printhead (VDK) Input voltage (VIN) Mass

Spectra series Layout diagrams

# 10.3 Memory card slot (option)

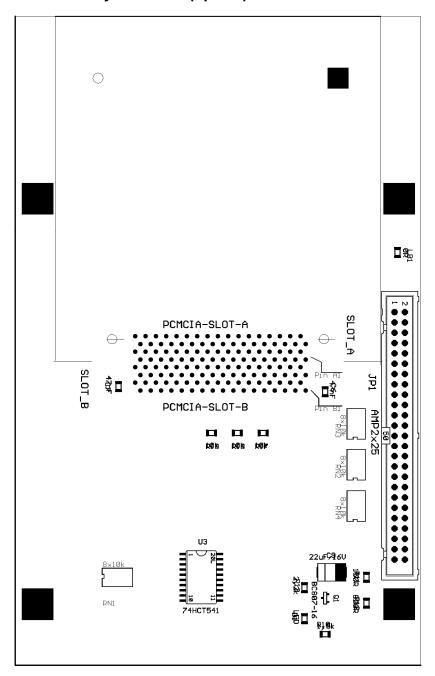


Figure 40

Component overview
U3
Q1
Data bus driver
Switching transistor for memory card voltage

Plug-in positions JP1 Connection CPU

Layout diagrams Spectra series

# 10.4 Compact Flash card slot (option)

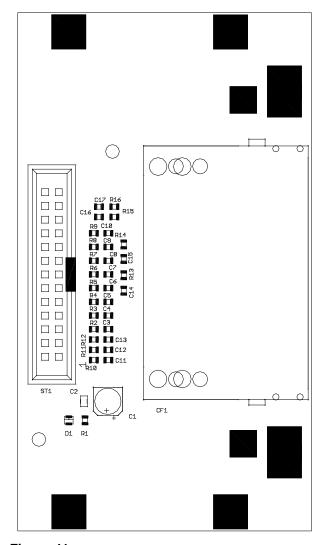


Figure 41

Plug-in positions

STP1 Connection CPU

Spectra series Layout diagrams

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## 10.5 Input/output board (option)

Figure 42

#### Jumper plan



Only valid for complete equipped I/O board.

Function	Jumper position JP6
RS-422 full duplex	2-1
RS-485 half duplex	2-3

Component everyiew	U1	EDI D component
Component overview	_	EPLD component
	U2	Optocoupler outputs 1-4 (Output1)
	U3	Optocoupler outputs 5-8 (Output2)
	U4	Optocoupler inputs 1-4 (Input1)
	U5	Optocoupler inputs 5-8 (Input2)
	U6	Driver inputs
	U7	Driver RS-422 / RS-485
	U8	Optocoupler DTR/DIR
	U9	Optocoupler TXD1
	U10	Optocoupler RXD1
	U11	Voltage transformer 5V ±5V
	U20, 21	Interface components RS-422 / RS-485
		·
Plug-in positions	ST1	Outputs 1-4 (Output1)
riag in positions	ST2	Outputs 5-8 (Output2)
	ST3	Inputs 1-4 (Input1)
	ST4	Inputs 5-8 (Input2)
	ST5	RS-485 / RS-422
	ST16, 17, 19	Connection CPU

Layout diagrams Spectra series

## 10.6 Input/output board 24V (option)

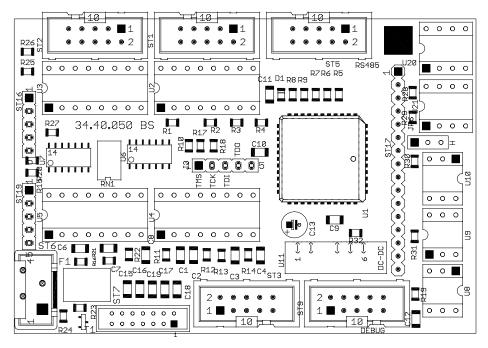


Figure 43

#### Jumper plan



Only valid for complete equipped I/O board.

Function	Jumper position JP6
RS-422 full duplex	2-1
RS-485 full duplex	2-3

Component overview	U1 U2 U3 U4 U5 U6 U7 U8 U9 U10 U11 U20, 21	EPLD component Optocoupler outputs 1-4 (Output1) Optocoupler outputs 5-8 (Output2) Optocoupler inputs 1-4 (Input1) Optocoupler I/O 24V Driver inputs Driver RS-422 / RS-485 Optocoupler DTR/DIR Optocoupler TXD1 Optocoupler RXD1 Voltage transformer 5V ±5V Interface components RS-422 / RS-485
Plug-in positions	ST1 ST2 ST3 ST5 ST7 ST8 ST16, 17, 19	Outputs 1-4 (Output1) Outputs 5-8 (Output2) Inputs 1-4 (Input1) RS-485 / RS-422 I/O 24V 24V / GND Connection CPU

Spectra series Layout diagrams

## 10.7 Ethernet (option)

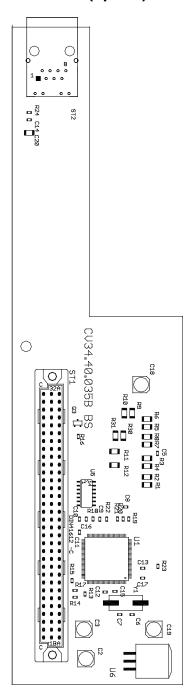


Figure 44

**Component overview**U1 Ethernet processor
U5 Reset inverter

U6 Voltage control 3.3V

Plug-in positions ST1 Connection bus male connector CPU

# 11 Pin assignment interfaces

### 11.1 Centronics

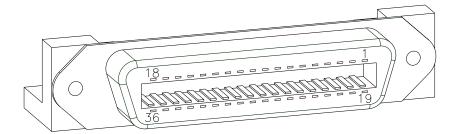


Figure 45

PIN	Signal
1	STROBE
2-9	DATA1-8
10	ACK
11	BUSY
12	PERROR
13	SELECT
14	AUTOFD
15-16	GND
18	VCC1284 (4,7V)
19-30	GND
31	INIT
32	FAULT
33-35	XXX
36	SELECTIN

### 11.2 RS-232

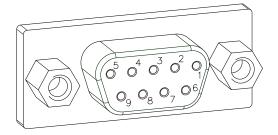


Figure 46

PIN	Signal
1	XXX
2	RXD
3	TXD
4-5	GND
6-9	XXX

## 11.3 RS-485 and RS-422 (option)

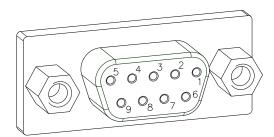


Figure 47

PIN at D-SUB female connector	Function (full duple		Function (half du	on RS-485 uplex)
1	n/c		n/c	
2	n/c		n/c	
3	n/c		n/c	
4		TxD-	n/c	
5		TxD+	n/c	
6	n/c			TxD (RTxD)-
7	n/c			TxD (RxD)+
8		RxD-	n/c	
9		RxD+	n/c	

# 11.4 Ethernet (option)

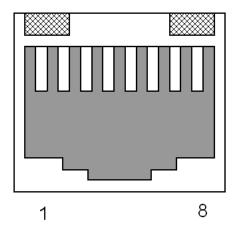


Figure 48

PIN RJ45 female connector	Description	
1		TX+
2		TX-
3		RX+
4	n/c	
5	n/c	
6		RX-
7	n/c	
8	n/c	

### 11.5 USB 1.0

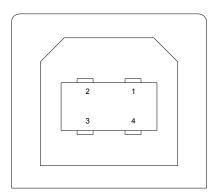


Figure 49

PIN	Signal
1	n/c
2	D-
3	D+
4	GND

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